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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.	10/517,712	Group Art Unit:	3673
Applicant(s):	Roberto Dalla Valle	Examiner:	Safavi, Michael
Filing Date:	12/10/2004	Docket No.	058009-019000
Title:	<i>METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SLABS MADE OF STONE-LIKE AGGLOMERATED MATERIAL HAVING AN AGED UPPER SURFACE</i>		
		Customer No.	33717

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed October 11, 2006. Kindly enter the following election:

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RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I, which corresponds to claims 10-13 and 15, which are drawn to a method of forming a slab.

MISCELLANEOUS

Please note that the Attorney Docket Number for the present application is 058009-019000.

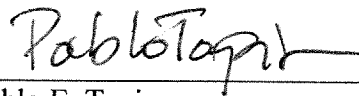
CONCLUSION

Applicants have complied with all requirements made in the above-referenced communication. Accordingly, examination of this application on the merits is respectfully requested. Should matters remain, which the Examiner believes could be resolved in a telephone interview, the Examiner is requested to telephone Applicants' undersigned agent.

Authorization is hereby given to any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2638. Please reference Attorney Docket Number 058009-019000 when charging any payments or credits in connection with this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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